

Economic Development & Workforce Services Interim Committee

Meeting Outline | Wednesday, September 15, 2021, Room 450, State Capitol

Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee: Meeting Outline (1:15-3:45pm)

1. Committee Business (5 min)

- a. Approve the minutes of June 16, 2021, meeting.

2. Update on the Economic Opportunity Commission (60 min)

At the June 16, 2021, meeting, the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity (GOEO) provided an overview of the Economic Opportunity Commission, including information about the commission's seven working groups. The committee will receive an update on the working groups' activities over the summer.

Description of Presentation	Presenter(s)
a. Economic Opportunity Commission Update	Dan Hemmert, Director, GOEO Ben Hart, Deputy Director, GOEO
b. Committee discussion and potential action	Potential committee actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request additional information• Determine next steps• Identify issues that require legislative action• Recommend draft legislation

3. Update on Child Care in Utah (45 min)

The Office of Child Care (OCC) has received over \$573 million in one-time, federal COVID-19 relief funding. The committee will receive an update from the Office of Child Care on the programs the state has implemented or is planning to implement using the COVID-19 funds.

At the May 18, 2021, meeting, the committee heard from experts around the state on issues related to child care in Utah. Over the summer, committee members and staff met with child care stakeholders and conducted additional policy research on child care issues related to access. Rep. Pulsipher will (1) discuss the work that legislators and staff performed over the summer, (2) share what they learned, and (3) propose which policy areas the Legislature should focus on in 2022.

This discussion will inform the committee bill file "Child Care Access and Affordability Amendments", opened by the committee at the May 18, 2021, meeting.

Description of Presentation	Presenter(s)
a. Update on COVID-19 Relief Funding	Rebecca Banner, Director, Office of Child Care
b. Update on Access to Child Care in Utah	Rep. Susan Pulsipher
c. Committee discussion and potential action	Potential committee actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Request additional information• Determine next steps• Identify issues that require legislative action• Direct staff to begin drafting legislation

4. Point of the Mountain Vision Framework (20 min)

Alan Matheson, Executive Director, Point of the Mountain Authority, will provide an overview of the recently released Point of the Mountain Vision Framework, focusing on the economic development and housing elements of the plan. This presentation is for information only.

Description of Presentation	Presenter(s)
a. Point of the Mountain Vision Framework	Alan Matheson, Executive Director, Point of the Mountain Authority
a. Committee discussion and potential action	Potential committee actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request additional information

5. Draft Legislation: “Employment Advisory Council Amendments” (10 min)

At the June 16, 2021, meeting, the committee voted to open a committee bill file to remove the sunset date for the Employment Advisory Council. The committee will review the draft legislation.

Description of Presentation	Presenter(s)
b. Draft Legislation: “Employment Advisory Council Amendments”	Rep. Handy and committee staff
a. Committee discussion and potential action	Potential committee actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move to favorably recommend “Employment Advisory Council Amendments” as a committee bill for the 2022 General Session Identify a sponsor for the bill

6. Draft Legislation: “State Small Business Credit Initiative Program Fund” (10 min)

At the June 16, 2021, meeting, the committee voted to open a committee bill file to transfer the Small Business Credit Initiative Program Fund from the Department of Workforce Services to the Governor’s Office of Economic Opportunity. The committee will review the draft legislation.

Description of Presentation	Presenter(s)
c. Draft Legislation: “State Small Business Credit Initiative Program Fund”	Rep. Handy and committee staff
a. Committee discussion and potential action	Potential committee actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move to favorably recommend “Employment Advisory Council Amendments” as a committee bill for the 2022 General Session Identify a sponsor for the bill

7. Adjourn